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Steve Williams has been with the Nebraska Department of Economic Development since 1979. Between 1979 and 1987, he worked in the Research Division focusing on community and housing development. After staffing Governor Kerry's task forces on small business equity and public pension fund investment in 1983, his work shifted more toward business development research and consulting.

Since 1988, Steve Williams has operated the 'One-Stop' business assistance office and beginning in 1993 the affiliated Internet site which became assist.neded.org. An average year sees approximately 2,500 requests from startup and existing businesses for various types of information and assistance.

Steve Williams also served as a board member of the Nebraska Public Employees Retirement Board, 1985-89 (representing State employees).